

## ISLAND OF GUAM OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR HAGÁTÑA, GUAM 96932 U.S.A.

Executive Order No. 2019-08

## RELATIVE TO RESTORING FUNDING FOR THE MEDICAID MATCHING FUND BY RESCINDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2018-11

WHEREAS, the GMHA Medicaid Matching Fund is established at 11 G.C.A. § 26208.3 to match the federal funds provided to cover services received at the Guam Memorial Hospital by qualified Medicaid recipients; and

WHEREAS, the GMHA Medicaid Matching Fund should be funded by seventy five percent (75%) of the funds received by the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority Pharmaceuticals Fund; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 34-116 granted the Governor authority to utilize one hundred percent (100%) of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority Pharmaceuticals Funds as a direct subsidy to the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (the "Authority") and that power was exercised through the issuance of Executive order No. 2018-11; and

WHEREAS, the Authority was recently notified by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid that its request for an upward adjustment to its base rates has been approved; and

WHEREAS, this adjustment, or "rebasing," is projected to result in a significant increase in funds back to the Authority for services rendered by the Hospital; and

WHEREAS, the government of Guam can realize its federal funding potential under the Medicaid Program by redirecting the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority Pharmaceuticals Fund back to its statutorily intended purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LOURDES A. LEON GUERERRO, Maga'hågan Guåhan, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, and the laws of Guam, do hereby rescind Executive Order No. 2018-11.

Signed and Promulgated at *Hagatña*, Guam, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2019.

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